TOWN OF HERNDON

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FIRE HYDRANT FLUSHING TO BEGIN IN APRIL

Herndon, VA (April 2, 2007) -- The Department of Public Works will conduct fire hydrant flushing from April 16 through June 29. Hydrant flushing reduces the amount of deposits that may accumulate in the water distribution system and tests for fire protection capacity.

This activity will be performed weekdays between 7am and 4pm at residential locations on the Town's water system. Hydrants in commercial areas will be flushed **between 11pm and 7am.** Hydrant flushing may affect water pressure and clarity for short periods of time in limited areas. Water that does become cloudy and tinted is safe to drink, but clothes washing should be avoided. This condition should clear up in one to two hours. Water pressure may become low due to the flushing operation but will return immediately after the process is completed.

For more information, contact DPW at 703-435-6860

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3rd largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned

establishments, employ approximately 23,500 people. In 2006, Herndon was named one of the "best affordable suburbs" in the nation by *Business Week* Magazine.

For more information, visit the Town's website at www.herndon-va.gov.

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